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Letter dated 5 August 1991 from the Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit the text, in English and French, of a statement of the European Community and its member States on South Africa, issued at The Hague and Brussels on 2 August 1991 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you could arrange for the text of the present letter and its annex to be circulated as a document of the General Assembly under agenda item 34.

(Signed) Robert J. VAN SCHAIK
Ambassador
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ANNEX

Statement on South Africa, issued at Brussels and The Hague on 2 August 1991 by the European Community

The Community and its member States have noted with interest the statement by President de Klerk on 30 July 1991 in answer to the recent revelations of secret funding by the South African Government of political and related organizations in South Africa and the alleged involvement of elements of the SADF and security forces in the violence.

Bearing in mind that orderly and early progress in the process of negotiation is necessary in order to maintain the momentum towards the establishment of a democratic, non-racial society in South Africa, they express the hope that the statement by President de Klerk will contribute to re-establishing a climate of trust, which is essential to further progress towards these negotiations. They welcome the Government's renewed commitment towards the creation, by peaceful dialogue, of a new South Africa.